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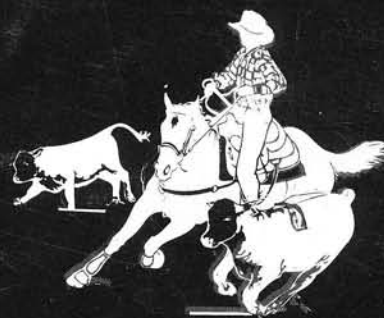
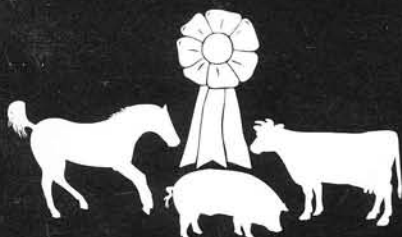
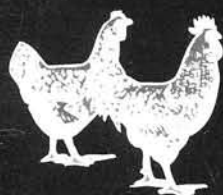
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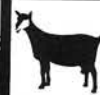
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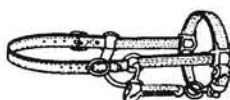
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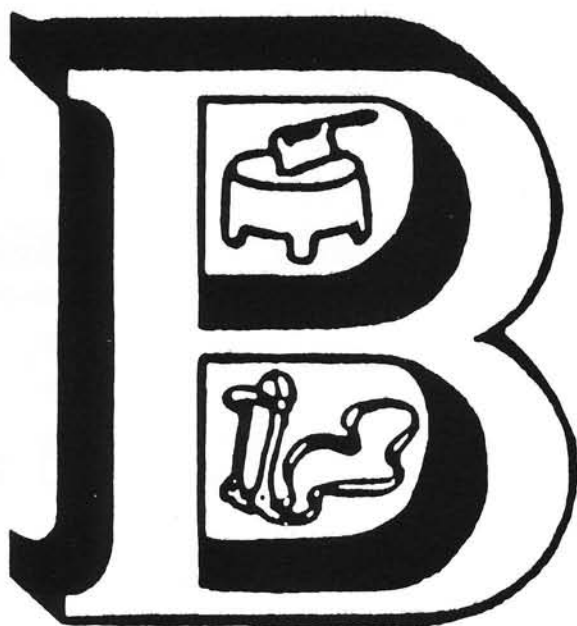
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## ***BLOCK & BRIDLE CLUB EMBLEM***



The Block & Bridle Emblem is significant to club members of every age. It represents the principles on which this club is built. Character, sincerity, and a moral life are depicted in the straight perpendicular of the "B" and are asked of members when they join. The distinct curves of the "B" are symbolic of the social pleasure, mental energy, and determination of members.

The meat block represents the material aspects of our life. The bridle stands for the behavior of Block & Bridle members, the control over ourselves that we try to maintain, the mannerisms and respect we show toward others, and the way in which we treat animals.



## ***PURPOSE OF THE CLUB***

On December 2, 1919, student representatives from four animal husbandry clubs met in Chicago, Illinois, and formed the National Block & Bridle Club. The local clubs became chapters in the new national organization. Nebraska was a charter chapter along with Iowa, Kansas, and Missouri. During this meeting, the chapters formed a constitution which included a statement of the clubs objectives.

### ***THEY ARE:***

- ★ To promote a higher scholastic standard among students of Animal Husbandry
- ★ To promote animal husbandry, especially all phases of student animal husbandry work in colleges and universities
- ★ To bring about a closer relationship among the men and women pursuing some phase of animal husbandry as a profession.



## ***HISTORIAN'S WELCOME***

April 18, 1997

Dear Members, Supporters, and Friends,

The following year has been one of great excitement, hard work, and accomplishments for all members of the UNL Block and Bridle Club. We hope that with this annual you will see the Reflection of Perfection in our activities as well as the achievement of our members.

We eagerly anticipate the future progress of our club and the diverse fields of agriculture in Nebraska.

We would like to thank all members that helped to achieve an all time high in ad sales and hope that your hard work and dedication will be rewarded at National Convention in Denver, Colorado in 1998.

Additionally, we would like to thank all sponsors and advertisers who make this publication possible.

We would like to leave you with this thought in mind. This is one that we feel describes the ethics and goals of our members:

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*think is safe...*
- *Dream more than others*  
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Sincerely,

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April 11, 1997

Block and Bridle Club  
Department of Animal Science  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Dear Block and Bridle Club Members:

The objectives of the Block and Bridle Club, as stated when the National organization was formed nearly 80 years ago, are to promote scholarship among animal science students, to promote student activities in animal science at colleges and universities, and to bring about closer relationship among individuals pursuing the animal sciences as a profession. The University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club in 1996-97 has continued to achieve these objectives on our campus. Congratulations on your achievements and contributions during this academic year.

Block and Bridle provides a multitude of opportunities for students to develop and practice their leadership skills. Success in the animal agriculture industries of the future will require excellent technical competence, communication ability, problem solving skills and team skills. The leadership and organizational skills you acquire in clubs such as Block and Bridle will be essential for the integration of all your other skills and knowledge to produce successful careers and valuable contributions to your communities and society. You can be justifiably proud of the leadership opportunities you provide to UNL students.

We extend our congratulations for the many honors and recognitions that have come to individual members and to the Club this year. We are especially proud that one of your members received the National Block and Bridle Club Outstanding Senior Award. And we extend our thanks to the officers and committee chairs whose dedication and commitment were so important to the past year's accomplishments. Lastly, I would like to thank Dr. Kathy Anderson, Dr. Steve Jones and Dr. Daniel Pomp for their dedicated service as the Club's advisors during 1996-97. Their efforts are appreciated.

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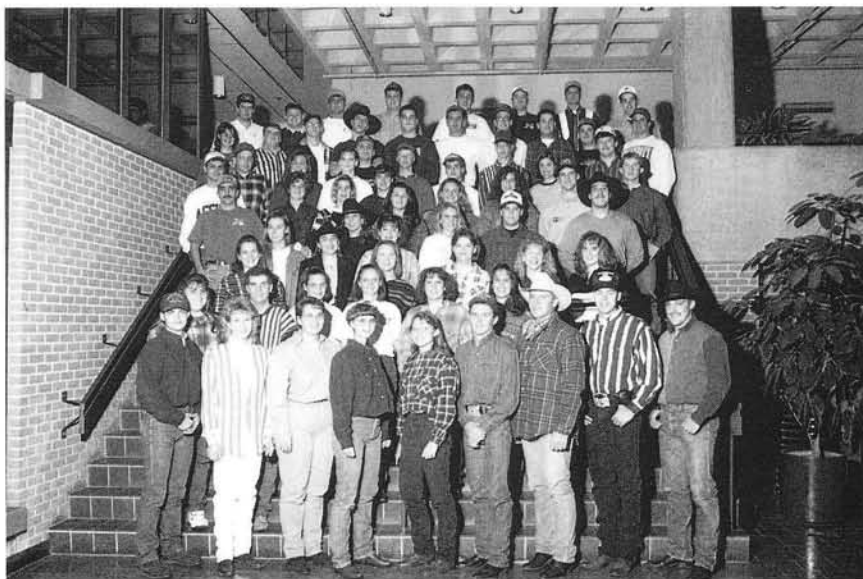
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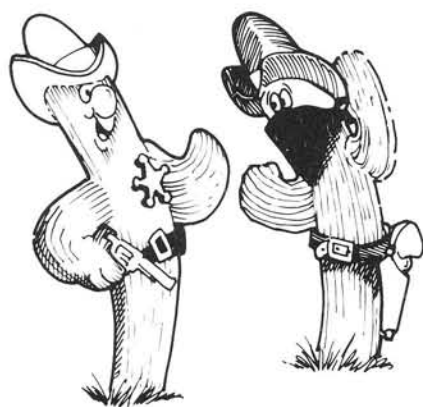
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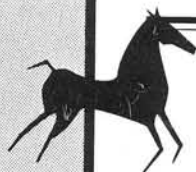
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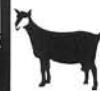






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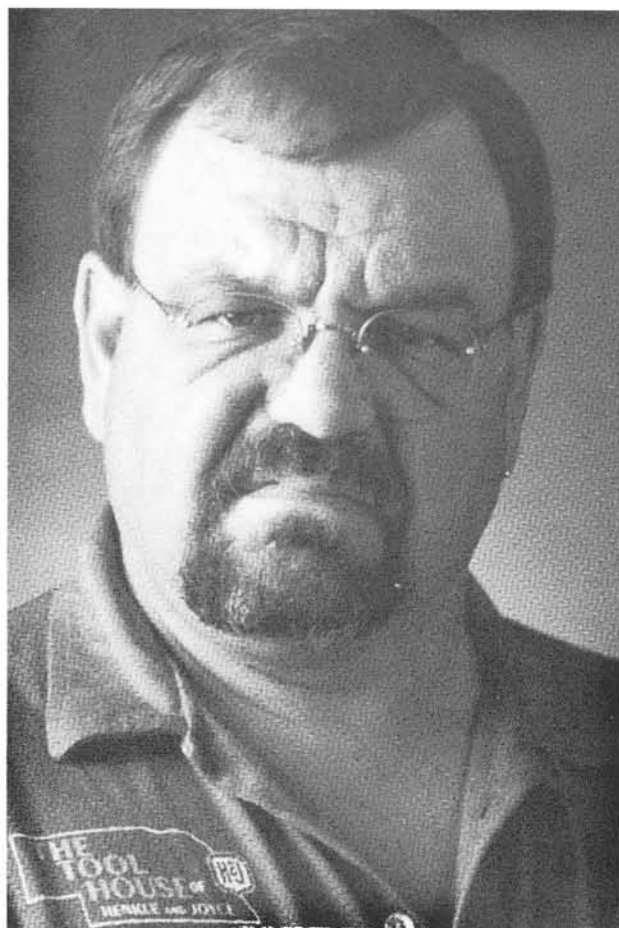


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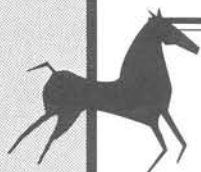


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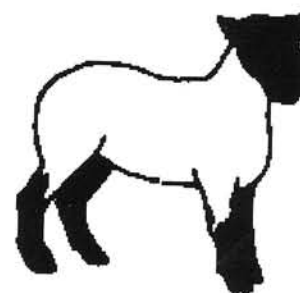
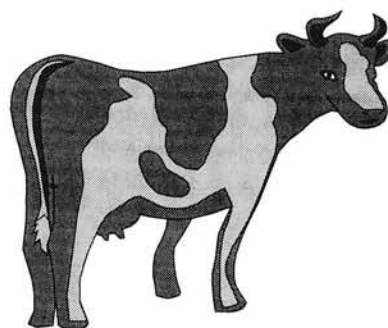
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to help the work along  
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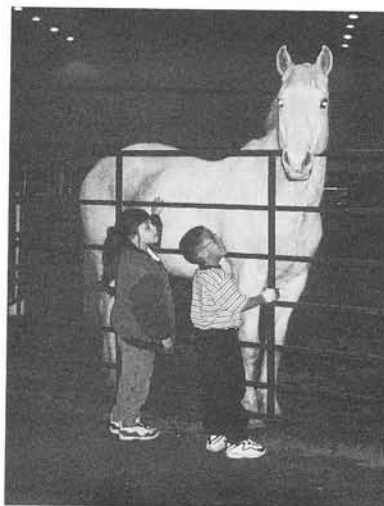


## SPRING & FALL KIDS DAY

Twice a year our Kid's Day gives primary and nursery school children the chance to see, touch, hear, and smell farm animals that they may not ordinarily have a chance to experience. Our signs provide information that visiting teachers and our members use when helping the children learn about each species. Also, we use some educational games and get a great response from the kids. Excitement runs high as the children make their rounds, the main attraction being the baby chicks provided by Country General. The other animals belong to the University, and we offer many thanks to the faculty who help us out in getting them all lined up.

The 1996 Fall Kid's day, held on October 16, had an attendance of 490 children plus their 112 sponsors. A new record was set on March 12 by the Spring Kid's Day, with an attendance of 690 children and 143 adults. It truly was an exceptional year for this event!

The chairpersons for the Fall were Jeff Neumeister and Casey Ramsel. The Spring Kid's Day was chaired by Kris Leska and Judi Woitalewicz. Thank you to all of the club members who volunteered their time and energy, you are the ones who make Kid's Day such fun and learning experience for the children.



*Dusty stands patiently through his 20th annual Kid's Day!*



*Miss Judy Woitalewicz proudly sits upon her wild steed!*



*Club members display signs of their favorite species.*

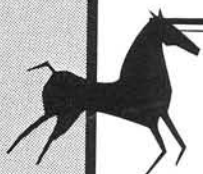
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*Please don't feed the animals*



*Trodd Grabenstein a few years down the road*



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## LITTLE AK-SAR-BEN

This year's Block and Bridle Little Ak-Sar-Ben Showmanship contest was held on October 5th, 1996 in the Animal Science Arena. We had approximately 60 entries, and these entries were exhibited by 50 students. Each student was assigned a randomly drawn animal, and given one week to work with their animal prior to the show.

Little Ak-Sar-Ben is open to any student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln who is interested in competing in a showmanship contest. Contestants may compete in beef, horse, sheep, or swine showmanship, and each of these classes were divided into two divisions: The novice division for people with no showing experience, and the expert division for people who have shown that species previously in a showmanship contest. The winner of each novice division then competes in the expert division, and each of the four expert division winners compete in a round robin contest to determine the overall Champion Showman.

Committee chairs Kara Greenwood, Carrie Yule, and Jared Walahoski would like to thank Dr. Ted Doane, Cindy Wolverton, Scott Tilton, and Chuck Story for judging the contest, and the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben for sponsoring all of the plaques for the expert and novice division champions. They would also like to thank all of the contestants and everyone who helped to make this year's show a success.

### NOVICE CHAMPIONS

SWINE-CHAD SHULTZ  
SHEEP-CHRIS KONECKY  
BEEF-JACKIE KNOOP  
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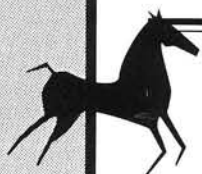
*Mike Hodges accepting a plaque sponsored by the Knights of AK-SAR-BEN from the chairpersons of Little AK-SAR-BEN*



*Left to Right:  
Shawn Moss  
Mike Hodges  
Carrie Anderson  
Jeff Sindelar*



*Shawn Moss poses with Little AK-SAR-BEN committee chairs:  
Jared Walahoski,  
Kara Greenwood  
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## REGIONAL MEETING

On October 4, 1996, eleven Block and Bridle members loaded up in the "White Whale" and headed to Ames, Iowa for the 1996 North Central Region Block and Bridle Convention. The weekend was filled with fun and games, educational speakers, and tours. Specially, activities included a barn dance, a tour of ISU Veterinary Science, tours of campus, an ultrasound demonstration and much more. Some select individuals had a little more "fun" than others and received personal tours of campus and/or vehicles. Along with the fore mentioned activities we also spent time touring the "Eight Ball" and "Sleeping Like Hogs." All in all, Ames showed everyone a good time and a big congratulations goes to Doyle Leefer on being elected the 1996-1997 NC Region Vice President.



*Block & Bridle members that attended the Regional Meetings at Iowa State*



*Three girls & a dud.*

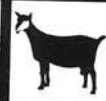


*Jeff Neumeister shows off his famous eating skills at the Baked Bean eating contest*



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## NATIONAL MEETING

On Dasher! On Dancer! On Prancer! On Vixen! No we didn't go to the North Pole for National Meetings, but 3 Nebraska B & B members, under the supervision of Dr. Steve Jones, did leave the sub-zero temperatures of Nebraska (close enough to the North Pole) and headed to Orlando, Florida on January 22 for Nationals '97. After a very enjoyable flight, where Doyle was able to see more snow than he had ever seen before, we landed in Florida to find only a third of all the luggage we originally loaded in Lincoln. But after Doyle's twenty-some phone calls to the airport to check on the missing baggage, it finally showed up at 2:30 a.m. when Bryan had to answer the door to accept it because Doyle had already passed out.

Seriously, Florida was truly a learning experience for Deb, Bryan, and Doyle. The Nebraskan's encountered aspects of agriculture that one could never imagine until seeing it in person. Whether it was the Brahman influence cattle or the entire aspect of a sod farm, it was all "New" territory for those that came from the Midwest.

During the four day stay in Orlando, attendees were able to visit the Florida Cattlemen's Trade Show, listen to a variety of speakers on Florida's agricultural industry, and of course, tour parts of Disney World. The highlight of convention for the Nebraska clan was the Awards Banquet where the 1995-96 Annual received fourth place overall. The club also had the opportunity to have the fifth place Junior Scholarship Award Winner in Judi Woitalewicz and the first place Outstanding Senior in Deb Roeber.



During their visit to Epcot, Bryan, Deb & Doyle get in touch with their childhood idol



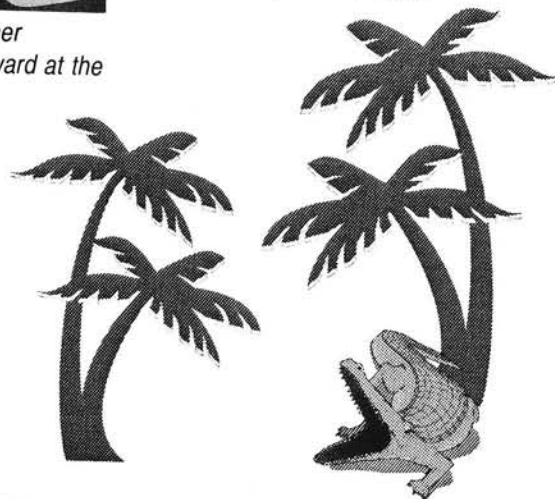
Deb Roeber accepts her Outstanding Senior award at the National Convention



Bryan & Doyle's future isn't really all that bright



The Block & Bridle members that had fun in the sun:  
(Left to Right:)  
Bryan Helms  
Doyle Leefers  
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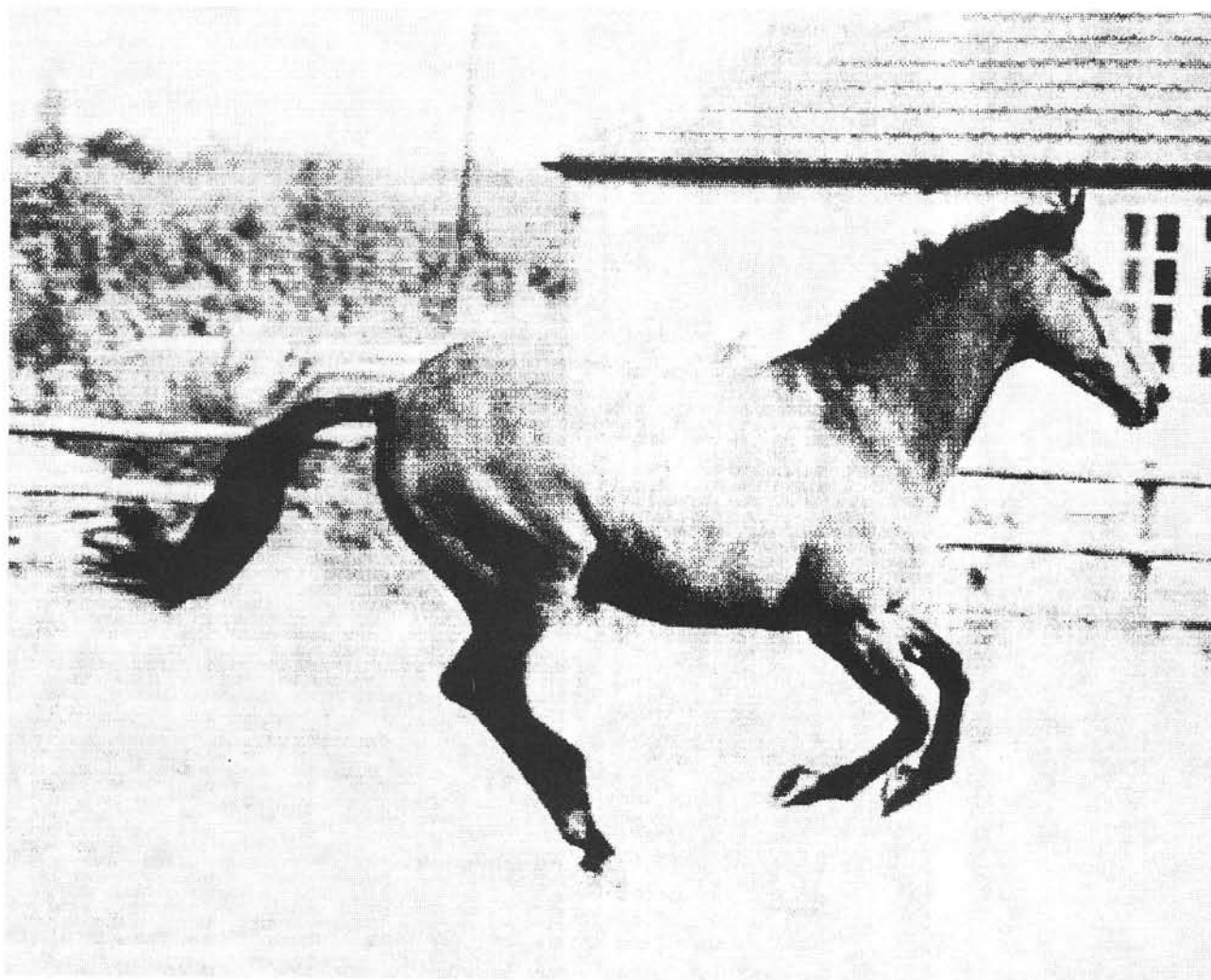


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## CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Christmas Lunch marked the end of the 1996 Block and Bridle events.

Tricia and Todd Grabenstein were the co-chairpersons for the December 13th feast which was prepared by Dr. Roger Mandigo and the Meat Lab Staff. During the luncheon the winners of the Little MAEC (Market and Breeding Divisions) Contest, as well as the members of the Junior and Senior Livestock, Horse, and Meat Judging teams, and the current Block and Bridle officers were announced. We would like to thank everyone for helping out and for coming, it was a great way to complete the semester, and a good opportunity for the staff and students to mingle and discuss Christmas Break plans.



## BEEF PIT

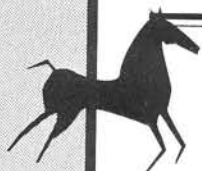
The officers for the fall semester gathered on August 24th and worked a four and half shift at the "Beef Pit." With the help of Block and Bridle, over 1200 people were served 4800 pounds of beef during the 1996 Nebraska State Fair. A big thanks to those officers and members at large that took the time to take orders, serve food, and even clean tables.



Judi, you really shouldn't have your finger up there, especially when you're serving food!



Dan, you are supposed to recruit customers for the Beef Pit, not pick on little girls



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## QUARTER HORSE SHOW

The 1997 horse show was held in Columbus, NE this year and went very well. Jodi Jones, Casey Ramsel, Troy Anderson, and Rick Kusek were the co-chairs for the horse show and did an excellent job of organizing and running the event. Aside from the snow on Sunday, 95 ropers stayed, making up a large portion of the horse show. This year we also tried an open team penning which followed the AQHA team penning. Mike Scholz added to the late night of team penning by auctioning off the Calcutta teams.



Ah! Bonding as a group!!



Trish and a contestant try to convince Dan he really lost



Uh, It's too heavy  
Will someone help me please!!!



I'm supposed to team pen at what time?



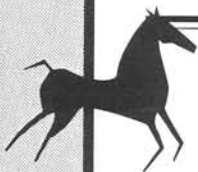
Yes! The women ran the show



If you smile, it will all go away  
Yeah, Right!



They can pose, but can they work?



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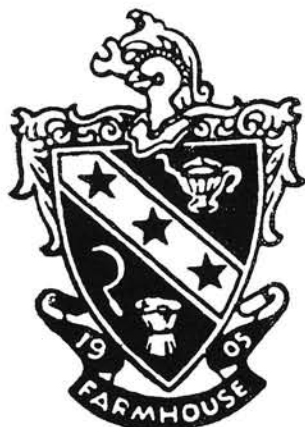
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
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## 1996 HONOREE - MAX WALDO

Family: Wife: Tryka (Patricia)  
Children: Leslie, Lee, Linda  
Grandchildren: Jered, Amber, Laura, Cara,  
Megan, Jessica & Thomas

### Background:

Max Waldo, Vice President of Waldo Farms, Inc. of DeWitt, was selected as the 1996 Block and Bridle Club Honoree at the University of Nebraska. Max was born June 6, 1939 in Franklin, Nebraska. After a move to Weeping Water, Max began his formal education in a one-room school in Cass county and graduated from DeWitt High School at the age of 16. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska in 1960 at the age of 20. Max and his wife Tryka, also a UNL graduate, were married in 1959. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

Waldo was cited for his contributions to the swine industry, his community service and his willingness to work with young people. He was selected by members of the UNL Block and Bridle Club and the Department of Animal Science who agreed that one of his greatest contributions is his willingness to work with young people. Waldo, a leader in the swine industry at the local, state, national and international level, has adopted new technology and shared successful techniques with producers world wide.

Max joined his father in the operation as a full partner after he graduated from UNL. Their SPF herd and intensive performance testing began at that time. In spite of extreme fluctuations in profit and losses, expansion has been on-going in order to maintain a competitive edge in providing breeding stock for the ever increasing size of operations within today's rapidly changing swine industry.

Waldo's duroc herd is the oldest known continuously operated herd in the world having begun in 1895, and since 1970, has been the largest recorder in the United Duroc Swine Registry. Other breeds have been added in recent years in order to better serve the needs of the commercial producer. Their total recordings of the four pure breeds they produce make them the largest performance tested purebred swine recorder in the United States. Sales of breeding stock have been made in 49 states and over 25 countries. Max has visited and lectured in several of these countries including Mexico, Canada, Korea, the Philippines, Taiwan and China. Max has been active in the livestock industry for 40 years during which he has played a vital role. He has been a leader, specifically, in the field of swine performance testing and genetic improvement. As a UNL graduate, he has been very supportive of the Animal Science department. He has provided livestock for judging team workouts, has led on-farm seminars for Animal Science majors and has served as guest lecturer in several Animal Science classes.

Max has served the University as a member of the Agriculture Alumni Board, President's Advisory Council, Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture Advisory Committee, and the Agriculture Builders of Nebraska. He has served as a board member for several swine associations within the industry and is an active member of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association. He is past president of the Nebraska Duroc Association, Nebraska SPF Association, Nebraska SPF Export Corporation and the National Swine Improvement Association and is presently serving on the National Pork Producers Council. Max has received a number of awards for his efforts including Out-Standing Alumnus Award from Alpha Gamma Rho, Builders Award from the Nebraska Pork Producers Association, National Hog Farmer Service Award, Pork All-American, Seed Stock Producer of the Year, Newcomen Society of the United States, Public Service to Agriculture Award from the Nebraska Agribusiness Club and the Lincoln Journal-Star Honor Farm Family award.

Besides national livestock organizations, Max enjoys community and church activities. He served 12 years on the local school board and is involved in many areas of the United Methodist Church. He finds his greatest joy in times spent with his children and grandchildren.



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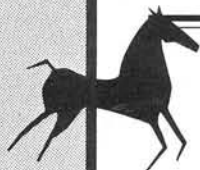
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## BIG RED BEEF SHOW

On Saturday March 22, 1997, 92 exhibitors participated in the 24th Annual Big Red Beef Show, which was held at Platte County fairgrounds in Columbus, NE.

Larry Hafer from Seward, NE Judged the market, breeding, and showmanship classes. The show consisted of 65 market animals and 71 breeding heifers representing 10 breeds.

The champion market steer was exhibited by Todd Prinz of Westpoint, NE. The reserve champion steer was exhibited by Adam Pryor of Woodbine, IA. The champion and reserve market heifers were exhibited by Kalya Peterson of Nebraska City, NE, and Chelsa Tuttle of Dorchester NE respectively. The overall Supreme Breeding Heifer which was also the champion Commercial Heifer was exhibited by Steph Cronin of Omaha, NE. Nate Kolterman of Loma, NE exhibited the Reserve Supreme Breeding Heifer which was the Champion Shorthorn Heifer.

The Champion and Reserve Showmen of the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions were as follows: Tucker Tejkl of Leigh, NE, Levi Roeber of Ashland, NE, Beau Klug of Columbus, NE, Kent Nelson of Ansley, NE, Squire Johnson of Bennet, NE, and Robyn Wilson of Kearney, NE respectively. The beef show chairmen would like to thank all the sponsors and exhibitors for making this year's show a big success. We would also like to thank all the Block and Bridle members who helped with the show.



*Looks like Todd & Tricia got caught behind the curtain again*



*Shawn proves that he has more talents than just fitting steers*



*Dumb & Dumber*

### **The Staff:**

*Front Row L to R  
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## LITTLE MAEC CONTEST

### MARKET & BREEDING DIVISION

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This year the Little MAEC (Market and Breeding) contest was held on December 6, 1996, with One hundred and fifty-six students competing. This event allows any University of Nebraska student to compete in a livestock judging contest within the area of three species: Cattle, Swine, and Sheep. Additionally, the participants were able to evaluate live animals for carcass characteristics, such as ribeye, loin eye, backfat, and yield and quality grade the different livestock. Deb Roeber, Mike Newton, and Doyle Leefer, would like to thank the Senior Livestock Judging Team for assisting, Pete Olson, and Dr. Keith Gilster in officially placing the classes. Awards were presented at Christmas lunch for top Senior and Junior livestock evaluator; in addition to, the top contestants in each specie.



#### Committee Chairmen:

L to R  
**Doyle Leefer**,  
Unadilla, NE  
**Deb Roeber**,  
Ashland, NE  
**Mike Newton**,  
Ravenna, NE



Junior Division  
Top Overall Team  
**Mike Webster**  
Albion, NE  
**Mike Hodges**  
Julian, NE  
**Jason Hirschfeld**  
Benedict, NE  
**Brent Pohlman**  
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Senior Division  
Individual Hog Winner  
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Junior Division  
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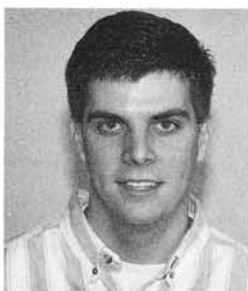
Senior Division  
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Meats Division  
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Senior Division  
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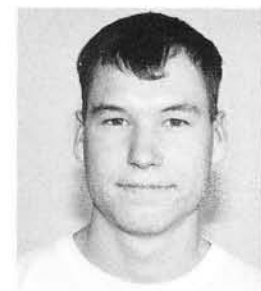
Junior Division  
Individual Sheep  
Winner  
**Cindy Zimmerman**,  
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Senior Division  
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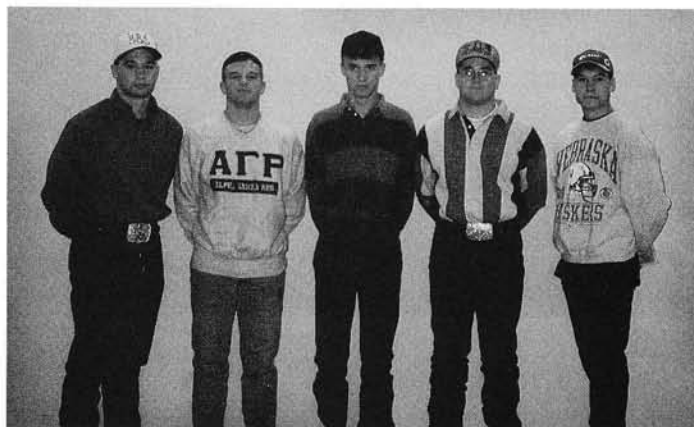




## LITTLE MAEC CONTEST

### MEATS DIVISION

On April 1st 1997, the Block and Bridle club in conjunction with the Animal Science Department held the annual spring meats contest. This contest was open to any undergraduate at the university and participation was encouraged by a number of Animal Science faculty. One hundred students participated in the junior division of the contest and 12 students took part in the senior division. The contest gave the students a chance to judge classes of beef, pork, and lamb and answer questions on those classes. We would like to thank Jay Wenthert and Rebecca Ross for officiating the contest, as well as the members of the club for helping at the contest and tabulating.



*The Overall Junior Division Team Members:*

*Team Name: 3 Wranglers (L to R)*

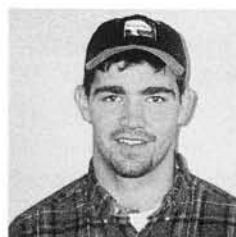
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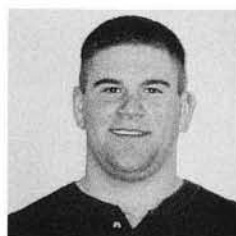
*As Chad drools  
over the ribs, the  
other contestants  
furiously take  
notes*



*Chief! Chief!  
The contest isn't  
over yet?*



*Chairmen  
Ryan Baumert,  
Howells, NE  
Terry Houser,  
Cambridge, NE*



*Junior Division  
Individual Beef Winner  
& Overall Winner  
Justin Holl,  
Kenesaw, NE*

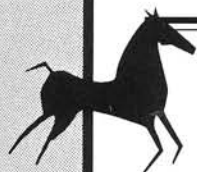


*Junior Division  
Individual Pork Winner  
Jason Ray,  
Superior, NE*

*Senior Division  
Individual Pork Winner  
Jeff Sindelar,  
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*Junior Division  
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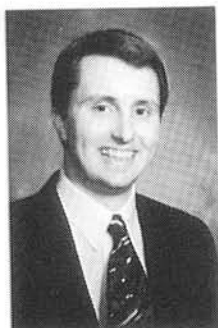






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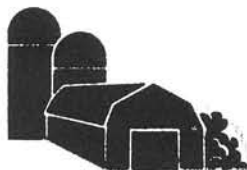
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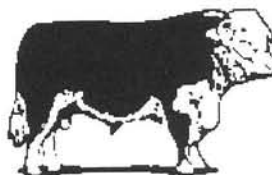
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## STATE AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION CONTESTS

The State Ag Ed Livestock Selection Contest was held on Friday, April 4. Sixty-five senior teams and 100 junior teams participated, with approximately 660 participants. The contest consisted of market steer, market hog, market lamb and a cull/keep class. The senior individuals also gave three sets of oral reasons and frame and muscle scored 10 market steers.

The results of the contest were as follows:

### Senior Team Division

1. Elgin
2. Wisner-Pilger
3. Howells-Clarkson

### Senior Individual Division

1. Bryan Hestkind-Elgin
2. Joe Baumert-Howells-Clarkson
3. Mindy Plueger-Concord

### Junior Team Division

1. Cedar Rapids
2. Logan View
3. Tekamah-Herman

### Junior Individual Division

1. Dan Wondecheck-Albion
2. Clint Lund-Genoa
3. Jill Krueger-Logan View

Several Block and Bridle members spent numerous hours tabulating. The day began at 5:15 a.m. with registration of the senior teams. The tabulation came to an exhausting end at about 8:00 that evening. The Block and Bridle members completed the results in an efficient and accurate manner. Thank you to all the hard work the members put into the big task. A special Thank You to Aaron Wulf who put in many long hours organizing and tabulating the results. Your efforts do not go unnoticed by the Block and Bridle members!

### Kara Greenwood & Bryan Helms-Co-Chairs

Additionally Block and Bridle Members assisted Doyle Wolverton and faculty with the Livestock Management contest. Approximately 370 FFA members used their knowledge in six different areas: beef, swine, sheep, horse, dairy, and poultry. Contestants were required to take a written test, identify different instruments, and calculate production problems in each species. The results were as follows:

### Team

- 1) Superior
- 2) Tekamah-Herman
- 3) Albion
- 4) Harrison (tie for third)

### High Individual in Sheep

Patrick Peterson-Rushville

### High Individual in Horse

Jessie Baldwin-Pender

### High Individual in Dairy

Lance Steinhausen-Norris

### High Individual in Beef

Brandon Pohlmann-Tri-County



*Though the tabulating took most of the day, Angela & Steph are still going strong*



*I'm sure Sonya & Kara were glad this was the last time that they had to do that darn tabulation.*



*As usual, Dan watches everyone else work while Misty is all smiles*

### High Individual in Poultry

Rita Wallace-Blue Hill

### High Individual in Swine

Derrick Dawrow-Diller



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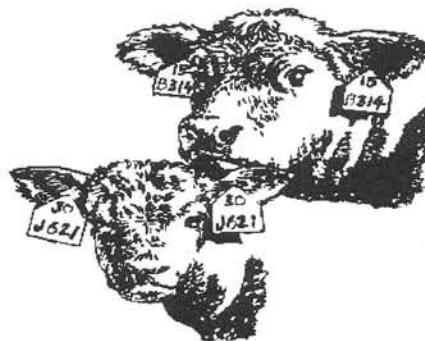
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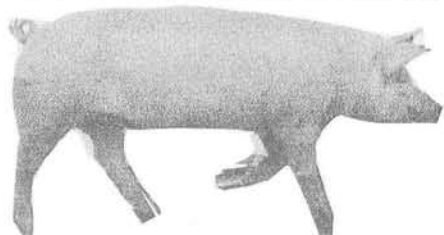
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## JUNIOR & SENIOR MEATS JUDGING TEAMS

### JUNIOR MEATS TEAM

The 1997 junior meats judging team completed the spring semester after competing at two national contests. Contests included the National Western Intercollegiate Meats Judging Contest in Denver, Colorado and the Southwestern Meats Judging Contest in Ft. Worth, Texas. The team placed 8th out of 9 teams at the National Western and 6th out of 6 teams at the Southwestern.

This years team was coached by Jay Wenther and assisted by Becca Ross.



#### Results:

#### National Western:

##### Team:

6th beef judging  
7th beef grading  
5th pork judging  
6th lamb judging  
6th placings  
7th reasons  
8th total contest

##### Individual:

##### Terry Houser:

9th pork judging  
9th lamb judging  
5th placings

#### Southwestern:

##### Team:

3rd beef judging  
6th beef grading  
6th total beef  
6th lamb judging  
3rd placings  
6th reasons  
6th total contest

##### Individual:

##### Terry Houser:

9th beef judging  
6th pork judging

##### Jeff Sindelar:

6th placings

##### Diane Bohaty:

8th pork judging  
8th lamb judging  
2nd placings



### SENIOR MEATS TEAM



**Front Row L to R:** Ryan Baumert, Howells; Tammy Fojtik, Coach; Luke Kleen, Ruskin;

**Back Row L to R:** Elton Aberle, Department Head; Steve Johnson, Wisner; Doyle Leefers, Unadilla; Dennis Busron, Advisor

The 1996 University of Nebraska Senior Meats Judging Team participated in the Iowa State Invitational with the team ranking seventh Overall in the contest. The team placed sixth in Lamb Judging. Ryan Baumert tied for fifth in Beef Judging.

At the American Royal, Kansas City, MO, the team was eleventh Overall and placed third in Lamb Judging. Doyle Leefers ranked fourth in Lamb Judging.



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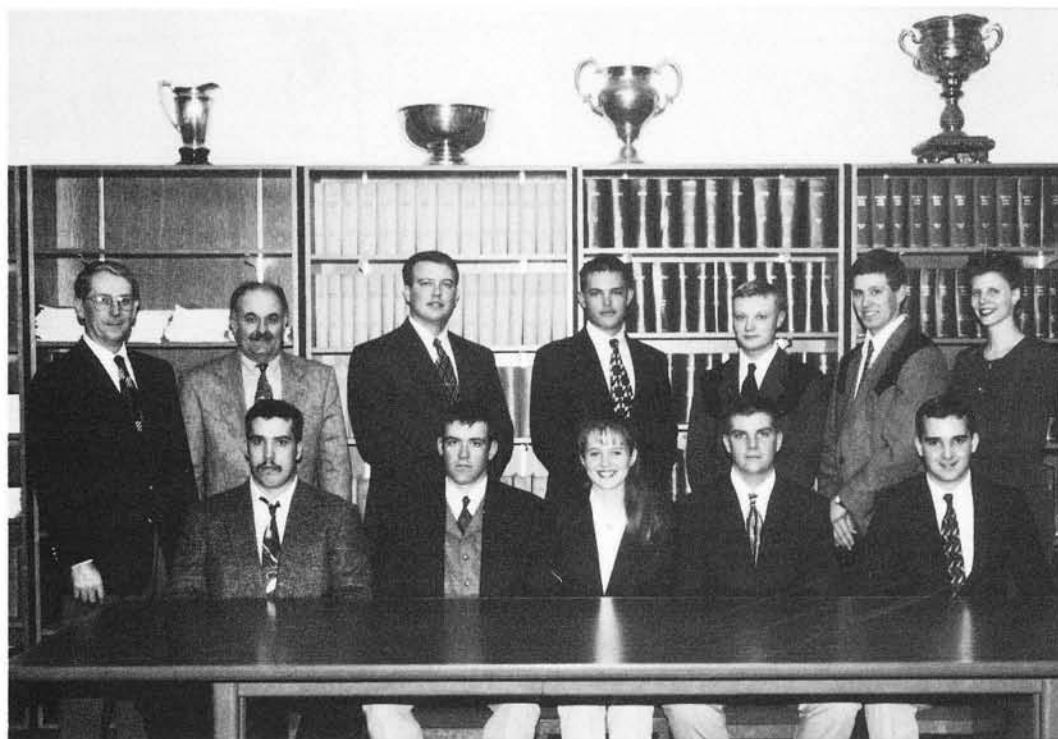
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## MEAT ANIMAL EVALUATION TEAM



Front Row (L-R): David Cichoracki, Mark Hohlen, Amie Schleicher, Jeff Neumeister, Tony Nicholson. Back Row (L-R): Elton Aberle, Department Head; Keith E. Gilster, Coach; Jason McCauley, Doyle Leefers, Chris Hansen, Chad Mau, Rebecca Ross, Coach.

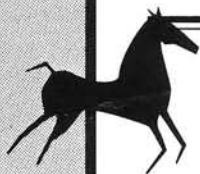
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Individual Nebraska	Mkt	Brd	Meats	Cattle	Hog	Sheep	Comm	Ovrll
David Cichoracki			19			14		
Chris Hansen								
Mark Hohlen								
Doyle Leefers			18	10				
Chad Mau								
Jason McCauley								
Jeff Neumeister								
Tony Nicholson								
Amie Schleicher								
Team								
NEBRASKA	7	9	5	5	8	8	4	5

### NORTH CENTRAL MEAT ANIMAL EVALUATION TRIATHLON MADISON, WI - February, 1997

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		19	
3	6	4	6

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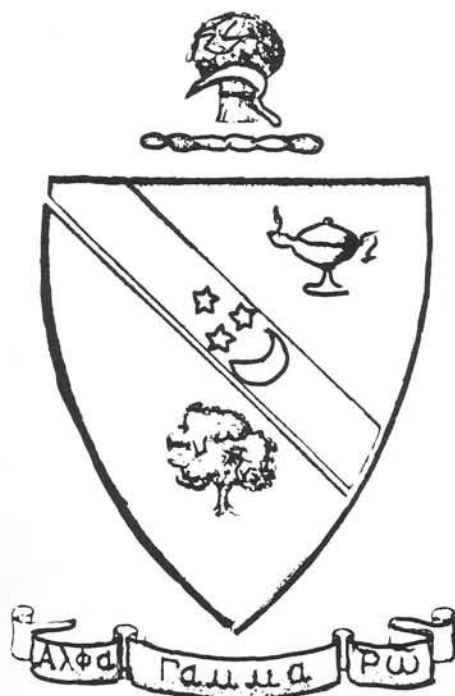


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## ***JUNIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM***



### **Front Row L to R**

Chris Hansen, Dan Wolfe Buffy Williams,  
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### **Back Row L to R**

Jeremy Dorsey, Adam Olsen, Blake Kuebler, Tony Nicholson, Kurt Knutson, Mike Scholz, Dave Cichoracki, Jared Walahoski. Not pictured Pete Olsen-Coach, and Elton Aberle-Department Head.

The Junior Livestock Team participated in the National Western Livestock Judging Contest. This contest was held in Denver, Colorado.



## ***SENIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM***

The 1996 University of Nebraska Senior Livestock Judging Team participated in the following contests:

Mid-America- Wichita, KS  
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The 1996 team participated in workouts in Nebraska including a Fall-Western Nebraska workout. The 1996 team appreciates all the help.



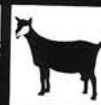
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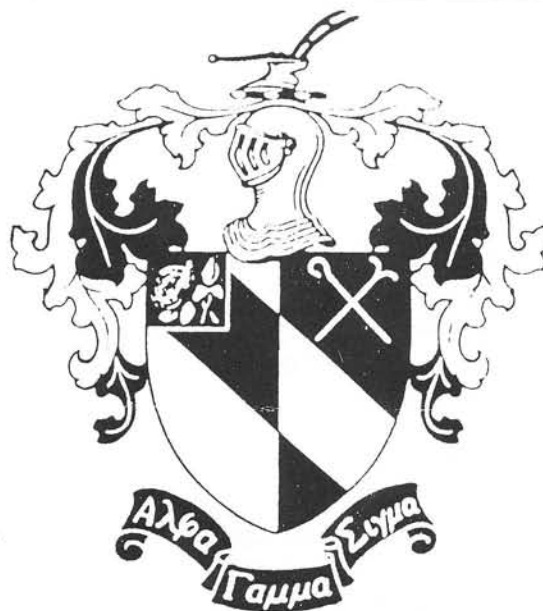
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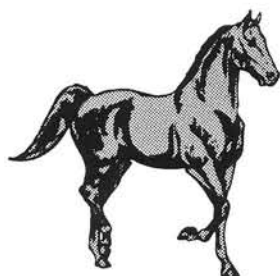
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## HORSE JUDGING TEAM

The Horse Judging Team placed 18 Overall out of 32 teams at the All American Quarter Horse Congress at Columbus, OH. The team also placed tenth in Reasons and Halter. Melody Nielsen was sixth in Halter.

The AQHA World Contest was held at Oklahoma City, OK on November 20th. The UNL team placed 11 out of 21 participating teams. They placed seventh in both Performance and Reasons. Melody Nielsen placed ninth in Performance.



Front Row L to R:

Kelly Jordan, Coleridge; Joan Daugherty, Scottsbluff; Angela Kruml, Lincoln; Melody Nielsen, Lincoln; Erin Radant, Valentine; Deborah Welsh, Norfolk

Back Row L to R

Rebecca Splan, Assistant Coach; Elton Aberle, Department Head; Lisa Cooper, Wellfleet; Becky Appel, Hoskins; Kala Ball, Lincoln; Justin Stockall, Hershey; Kathy Anderson, Coach  
Not Pictured: Amy Olson, Gretna

## ANIMAL SCIENCE QUADRATHLON

The annual Animal Science Quadrathlon was held in the Animal Science Complex on April 31st and March 1st. Twenty-three teams competed in the local contest, which is divided into four sections. The four sections are: lab practicum, written exam, oral presentation, and quiz bowl. There was a tie for first place after the tabulation of the scores, which was broken by the team ranking in the lab practicum. The first place team was "The Block and Bridle Elite," which consisted of Bill Ference, Troy Anderson, Jeremy Dorsey, and Jared Walahoski. Second place went to "Team B," which included Kara Greenwood, Carrie Yule, Lisa Ternus, and Jenny Reel. The top place team represented the University of Nebraska in regional competition, which was held in Des Moines, Iowa on March 16-19. Their sponsors for the trip to Des Moines were Dr. Edd Clemens and Dr. Jess Miner from the Animal Science Department.



Event Winners

Quiz Bowl: Team B

Lab, Written, and Oral: Block and Bridle Elite

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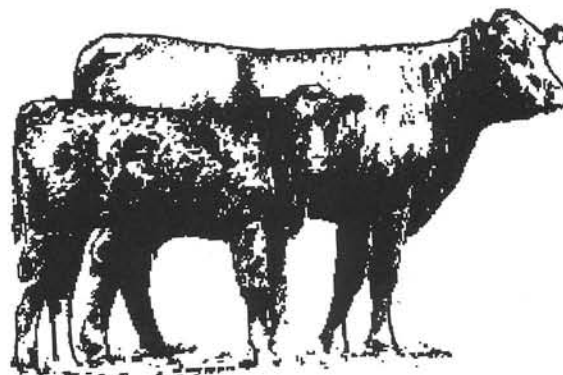
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# WALDO TEAM PULLED OFF A THREEPEAT



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to receive a **perfect 10 score** by 6 field judges.  
Stats at 247# average ♦ .49 BF ♦ 6.85 Loin.



Waldo's Yx H/D team was #1 in the power ranking.  
These crossbred division Champs had  
the best carcass average in 50 years of NBS testing.  
Stats at 235# average ♦ .57 BF ♦ 8.32 Loin

Of 49 teams entered in the Progeny grow out playoff, Waldo's two Red teams ranked 1 and 2 on the point system for carcass, performance, and soundness.

An Iowa State meat scientist described our Duroc carcasses as,  
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